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This is regarding the ARRL Petition RM-10867.

I feel that the ARRL proposal is a good approach to restructuring the Amateur Radio.

- 1. Removing the Morse Code requirement to obtain a General Class license. I am active in ARES and RACES but due to not being able grasp learning Morse Code, I can not fully support these entities.
 - a. Morse Code is not the only mode of communications in the current radio community so why should that be a stumbling block.
 - b. The international community is removing the Morse Code requirement which is the reason the United States could not prior to this time. The FCC also indicated that they wanted to see the out come of the International Rules before proceeding further with restructuring. This is now done
- 2. The realignment of the Band Allocations is also a good option in order to utilize the current bands to their best capabilities.
- 3. The reduction of license classes to 3 will simplify the license system of the Amateur Radio, an item the FCC had requested previously.

I also support the petition by the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators RM-10870. The main difference is the total elimination of code including for the Extra Class License. I feel that the small portion of the band allocated for Extra Class is still a good situation and code used within those areas but either proposal by the ARRL or the NCVEC are compatible with the FCC goals.